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SECRETARY OF STATE JAEGER ANNOUNCES NEW DEPUTY SECRETARY OF STATE

Bismarck, ND – Secretary of State Al Jaeger has appointed Jim Silrum to be the new Deputy Secretary of State. Silrum will begin his duties on November 17. He replaces Cory Fong, who resigned October 1 to join the Hoeven re-election campaign.

“I am pleased to have someone of Jim’s background and commitment to service join the staff at the Secretary of State’s office and help it carry out its constitutional and statutory duties.” Jaeger said.

For the past eight years, Silrum has served as the Executive Director for Camp of the Cross Ministries located on Lake Sakakawea near Garrison. Prior to that he served in various capacities for the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, all within the state of Minnesota.

Silrum is a 1985 graduate of Augsburg College, Minneapolis. He and his wife Marci live in Bismarck.

Silrum said, “I moved to North Dakota eight years ago and fell in love with the people immediately. North Dakota has become my true home and I consider it a honor to move into another career that works for the betterment of the quality of life for all the people of our great state.”